



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

WHEREAS: Addressing the mental health needs of Minnesota's children, youth, and families is fundamental to the state's future; and

WHEREAS: Early intervention for our children's mental health needs results in improved educational outcomes, reduced juvenile crime and healthier, safer communities; and

WHEREAS: One in five children in Minnesota will experience mental health challenges during their childhood; and

WHEREAS: An environment where children are supported to have healthy self-esteem is important to a child's overall well-being; and

WHEREAS: Washburn Center for Children offers expert therapeutic care in strengthening our community by addressing the mental health needs of children, youth, and families in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: May 5, 2016 is recognized as National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, May 5, 2016, as:

## WASHBURN CENTER FOR CHILDREN DAY

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April.

  
GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE